

State of New Hampshire DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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LETTER OF DEFICIENCY WET 2002 - 014

May 3, 2002

Mr Reade Salo Salo Brothers Homes 11 County Rd Rindge, NH 03461

RE: DES Wetlands File #2001-02146 Turnpike Rd, New Ipswich

Dear Mr. Salo

On April 11, 2002, personnel from the Department of Environmental Services ("DES") conducted an inspection of the above referenced property, more specifically referenced on Town of New Ipswich Tax Map 6 as Lot 8A (the "Property"). The purpose of the inspection was to determine compliance with RSA 482-A and NH Code of Admin. Rules Wt 100-700.

During the inspection the following deficiencies were documented

- 1) Approximately 150 square feet of fill had been placed in wetlands across the road from the work site without a permit from DES;
- 2) Temporary erosion control measures were not in place;
- 3) Slopes adjacent to the subdivision road were unstable and eroding;
- 4) Sediment from eroding slopes had migrated into wetlands and a seasonal stream;
- 5) Headwalls on culverts were inadequate and eroding:
- 6) Culverts were partially filled with sediment;
- 7) Catch basins were full of sediment.

In response, you are requested to take the following actions:

1. Within 30 days of receipt of this Letter of Deficiency, submit a restoration plan to DES for review and approval. Have the restoration plan prepared by a certified wetland scientist, and include provisions for removing the fill from the area across the road from the work site; stabilizing the slopes of the subdivision road, removal of sediment from roadside swales, culverts and jurisdictional areas impacted by the migration of sediment from the subdivision project. Submit the following with the restoration plan:

http://www.state.nh.us TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964

- a. A plan with dimensions, drawn to scale, showing:
 - 1. Existing conditions, with wetland boundaries; and
 - 2. Proposed conditions after reestablishing the jurisdictional areas;
- b. A detailed description of the proposed means of erosion control (silt fence, hay bales, etc) and stabilization of the restoration area;
- c. A detailed description of the proposed planting plan for the stabilization and revegetation of the restoration area and control of invasive species such as purple loosestrife (Lythrum salicaria) and common reed (Phragmites australis);
- d. A description of the proposed construction sequence and methods for accomplishing restoration and anticipated restoration compliance date.
- e. A description of the method of documenting at least 75% survival of all vegetation planted during the restoration project. This should include at a minimum monitoring progress reports for two successive growing seasons following completion of the restoration project.
- f. A provision to delineate the wetlands within the restoration site after 5 full growing seasons and document the delineation with data forms and depict the delineation on a site plan.
- 2. Retain a qualified wetland scientist to supervise the implementation of the restoration plan and to submit the restoration progress reports.
- 3. Implement the restoration plan only after receiving written approval and as conditioned by DES.

RSA 482-A, the New Hampshire Wetlands law, was enacted to protect and preserve wetlands and surface waters from unregulated despoliation. Prior to dredging, filling, or construction in and adjacent to wetlands or surface waters, an individual is required to obtain a permit. If work is done without a permit, this is considered a violation of RSA 482-A. Failure to respond to this Letter of Deficiency in a timely and complete manner may be construed as noncompliance by the receiving party.

DES personnel may conduct another inspection at a later date to determine whether you have come into and are maintaining full compliance with the applicable statute and rules.

Issuance of this letter shall not preclude further enforcement by DES. Failure to comply with RSA 482-A will result in enforcement by DES, including but not limited to the issuance of fines, administrative orders, or referral to the New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General for prosecution of civil or criminal penalties. If an order is issued to you, it may also be recorded with the Registry of Deeds as an encumbrance against your property.

All documents submitted in response to this Letter of Deficiency should be addressed as follows:

Ana Ford, Land Resources Management Program Department of Environmental Services 6 Hazen Drive PO Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, or wish to arrange a meeting, please contact me at (603) 271-2147.

Sincerely,

Senior Enforcement Officer

Wetlands Bureau

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cc: Rene Pelletier, Manager, Land Resources Management Program

Mark Harbaugh, Enforcement Attorney, DES Legal Unit

New Ipswich Conservation Commission

New Ipswich Board of Selectmen

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